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ATTEMPTED MURDER / OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING INVESTIGATION

RIVERSIDE, CA – On January 13, 2019, at approximately 10:37 p.m., two Riverside Police Officers were patrolling the 3300 block of Iowa Avenue when they observed a suspect firing a weapon at several people standing in the parking lot. Four people were shot at resulting in two of them being struck by the suspect's gunfire. An officer involved shooting occurred as a result of the suspect shooting at the pedestrians.

The two gunshot victims were treated at Riverside Community Hospital for non-life threatening injuries.

Detectives from the Robbery – Homicide Unit and Specialists from the Forensics Unit responded to assume the investigation. They are being assisted by the Riverside County District Attorney's Office. The shooting suspect was identified as a 16-year-old resident of Riverside. He was arrested at the scene and later booked into Riverside Juvenile Hall for four counts of attempted murder. An additional person, 22-year-old Christopher Romero Lopez, was identified as a second suspect in the shooting and arrested at the



scene. Lopez was booked into the Riverside County Jail for four counts of attempted murder.

This investigation is ongoing and there are no other details available at this time. Anyone with information regarding this investigation is asked to contact Detective Jim Brandt at (951) 353-7137 or jbrandt@riversideca.gov, or Detective Dave Riedeman (951)353-7104 or driedeman@riversideca.gov. Those wishing to remain anonymous can email rpdtips@riversideca.gov or utilize the Riverside Police Department's mobile app "Submit a Tip" feature while referencing incident number 190001424.

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Christopher Romero Lopez